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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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*N. Zee Ellis*  
Signature

Applicant : Nobuo Ogasawara  
Application No. : 09/973,303  
Filed : October 9, 2001  
Title : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING EXPIRATION-DATED PRODUCTS UTILIZING AN ELECTRONIC RECEIPT  
  
Grp./Div : 3627  
Examiner : Kenneth R. Rice  
  
Docket No. : 47410/JEC/F179

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Post Office Box 7068  
Pasadena, CA 91109-7068  
August 8, 2002

Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated **April 25, 2002** for 1 month(s) from **July 25, 2002** to **August 25, 2002**.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55	\$110	\$110
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$200	\$400	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$460	\$920	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$720	\$1440	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$980	\$1960	\$

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ **110.00** to cover the cost of the extension.

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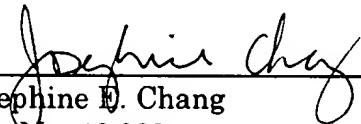
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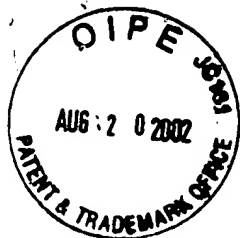
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Enclosed is an amendment to the above-identified application.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	13	* 33	0	x \$9.00	x \$18.00	0
Independent Claims	2	** 3	0	x \$42.00	x \$84.00	0
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$140.00	\$280.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE						\$0
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED ****	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					
LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1 and 35						
* IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 20 OR LESS, WRITE "20" IN COLUMN 3 ** IF HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN COLUMN 3 *** PAY THIS FEE ONLY WHEN MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS ARE ADDED FOR THE FIRST TIME **** IF NO FEE REQUIRED, ADDRESS ENVELOPE TO "BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENTS"						

\_\_\_ Attached is our check for \$ to pay the fees calculated above.  
☒ A Petition for Extension of Time and the required fee are enclosed.  
 \_\_\_ Other enclosures:

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